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1. Anton Marek, Austrian Ministry of Interior official, is being held in Vienna at the Hotel Imperial. Colonel Iliachev played a leading role in Marek's arrest and detention. The Soviets plan to exploit the incident, which is the first step in a campaign to force Austria to submit to Soviet will. The Soviet aim is to weaken the Austrian police and the Ministry of the Interior. (██████████ Comment: Iliachev is Chief of the Internal Affairs Section, Soviet Element.) 25X1A
2. A newly-appointed officer of the Soviet Command, Lower Austria, plans to examine Lower Austrian police reports for any mention of misdemeanors or criminal acts committed by Soviet personnel which he could use as grounds for the dismissal of non-Communist police officials. (██████████ Comment: A responsible Lower Austrian police official was recently taken to task severely by an officer of the Soviet Command, Lower Austria, for having mentioned in a routine report that a horse and wagon were stolen by drunken Soviet officers. The police official was threatened with serious consequences if he should make a similar reference in the future.) 25X1A

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